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**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:** identifying insertions and ~~deletions~~.

**Please replace the ABSTRACT, at pg. 84, with the following rewritten ABSTRACT:**

~~The present invention provides a~~ A ~~common collaboration tool to interact, communicate and serve a client~~ enables advisors, their clients and other participants to interact in a coordinated manner in various areas of interest. ~~The present invention enables a~~ A ~~client to authorize~~ authorizes selected advisors as well as other participants to view, discuss, modify and perform other operations in response to the client's request for services. A client ~~may define~~ defines the scope of authorization for advisors and/or other participants for security and confidentiality reasons. Advisors (and/or participants) ~~may~~ access information submitted (or authorized) by the client to collaborate as a cohesive team in sharing information, devising a plan, addressing client's ~~concern~~ concerns, drafting (or modifying) a document and performing other services for the client. ~~The present invention provides a mechanism to implement planning in an organized and efficient manner, by promoting consistent and accurate collaboration of resources, tools and efforts.~~